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# 'Yobs attacked delivery drivers'

A SUPERMARKET chain has claimed it stopped delivering groceries to a disabled mother's house after yobs in the area attacked delivery driv-

Tesco cancelled food and grocery deliveries to Christine Barnes, of Brickwell Court, in Standens Barn, Northampton, because they said her road was in a "bad area".

The 44-year-old, who suffers from the debilitating illness ME and cares for her autistic son, Jake, is unable to walk to her local Tesco shop and relies on the home delivery service.

Mrs Barnes, a Tesco customer for more than 10 years, was shocked when the shopping giant, whose superstore in the Weston Favell Shopping Centre is less than half a mile away from her house, suddenly refused to deliver to her. Tesco claimed it had blacklisted her street after delivery drivers were attacked.

The Mercury & Citizen understands two delivery drivers were pushed downstairs and one was even urinated on by yobs. Northamptonshire Police has, however, said they were unaware of any such attacks in Brickwell Court.

A spokesman for the supermarket giant said: "A number of Tesco staff were subjected to attacks in the area and that is why the decision was taken to temporarily suspend deliveries



to the addresses.

"We have to take the safety and security of our staff very seriously and we took the decision not to deliver to that area."

Following a report in our sister paper the *Chronicle & Echo* on Tuesday however, Tesco said it would resume deliveries to Mrs Barnes' house.

Mrs Barnes said: "I would like to just go back to how it was. I don't want any special treatment from them and if they think it is dangerous then I don't want any of their drivers to be put in danger."

However, she said she was "very surprised" to hear allegations of delivery drivers being attacked. She said: "We have been here for nearly 11 years and we have never had any trouble. If it is that bad then why do all the other supermarkets still deliver here?"

The Tesco spokesman added: "We would like to apologise to the customer for any temporary inconvenience caused"

## Councillors' food claims set to go up

A PLANNED increase of more than 50 per cent in the amount of money members of Northamptonshire County Council can claim for meals has been attacked by opposition members at County Hall.

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Members of the authority will next Thursday discuss plans to increase the cash they can claim for breakfast, lunch and evening meals by as much as 52 per cent

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The leader of the authority's Labour group, Councillor John McGhee (Lab, Kingswood) condemned the move as it came when the authority was planning across-the-board savings.

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He said: "In these difficult economic times, when a lot of council staff are fearing losing their jobs, any increase in things like this is just the wrong thing to do."

Claims can be made when coun-

Claims can be made when councillors' work forces them to stay out of the county overnight.

The current scheme allows them to claim up to £24 a day for breakfast, lunch, tea and an evening meal. Under the new scheme, funding for tea would be removed, but councillors would be able to claim up to £26.50 a day or £36.50 if they are staying in London.

Council leader Jim Harker (Con, Kettering Rural) said the proposed increase had been recommended by

an independent panel.

He added: "We have no influence on the panel's report, other than deciding whether or not to accept it."

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Leader of the opposition, Councillor Brendan Glynane (Lib Dem, Delapre) said: "I think if a councillor is travelling somewhere early, it's justified to claim for breakfast, as long as they're on council business. If you're coming back from a late meeting, that would also be legitimate, but I certainly wouldn't want the system to be abused."

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## Spencer sale to raise cash

A SALE of paintings and antiques belonging to Earl Spencer is expected to generate more than £20 million towards the upkeep of Althorp.

The sale, which will not encroach on Althorp's core col-lection of 18th century treasures, will include one painting from Sir Peter Paul Rubens worth up to £12million and one by Il Guercino worth up to

£8 million. Earl Spencer, who announced last week he is to marry for a third time, is expected to put the money to-wards the £10 million repair

bill for the roof of Althorp and pay for renovations on the estate.

A statement from the trustees of Althorp said: "For 18 years, the trustees at Althorp have significantly built up the estate through the acquisition, development and retention of commercial and residential property. The trustees believe now is the time to prepare for further, positive diversification and have therefore elected to sell a selection

of works of art that are not core to the Althorp Collection. Their aim is to help the Althorp estate thrive for generations to come."

will be sold over three auctions starting with the paintings sold off at a special

sale of Old Masters on July 6. Valuables from Althorp's attics will be auctioned on another day with the third sale being items from Spencer House, an 18th century pri-vate palace in London which the Spencer family lets.

Numerous items, put away in storage by past generations, are now being researched by auction house staff with about 500 lots destined for the attic

However, Christie's said its specialists were still working room to room in Althorp's attics, cellars and stables in the hope of uncovering more items before the catalogue was finalised.

Highlights so far include a set of four 19th century Irish glass table display centrepieces worth up to £25,000 that were commissioned by the 5th Earl Spencer while he was

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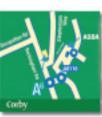
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## Angel leads walk

A TWO-MAN team and their four-legged friend will be embarking on a sponsored walk for The Multiple Sclerosis Society as they travel along the longest manmade monument in Britain, Offa's Dyke.

Phil Sorrell, aged 32, of Hartwell, will be accompanied by his German shepherd dog Angel and his friend Alex South on a 13-day hike of the English and Welsh border.

The pair have almost reached their original target of raising £1,500 for the charity and now hope to add a further £1,000 to the fund before

they set off on the trek, which will follow the National Trail of the 8th century King Offa of Mercia's territorial border, next week.

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The pair have managed to keep equipment costs down, with advice and guidance from White & Bishops, in Bridge Street, Northampton.

Phil, a web designer, will also be using view ranger technology and a blog to document the trip online so that sponsors can interact with their progress.

He said: "I think the first couple of days are going to be comparatively easy. We will be doing about eight miles a day with a clean range.

"Then on the third or



Phil Sorrell is walking 177 miles with Angel

fourth day the mileage will go up to 15 miles a day, up and down the Clwydian Hills.

"We will be climbing about 30,000 feet in total which is about the same as the height of Mount Everest but without the atmospheric pressure and breathing problems."

Phil's parents will be acting as support in case of any emergencies and they will be on hand to deliver their daily supply of food, both human and canine.

He added: "Dog food is obviously quite heavy and that could slow us down, this way we can to stick to the schedule and Angel will get her usual amount of food and there's plenty of rivers for her to drink from."

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The following information will help you to be aware of local NHS services and opening times during the Easter Bank Holiday weekend. This period starts on Friday, 2 April 2010, and ends on Monday, 5 April 2010.

#### **GP Practices**

Except for the Corby 8 to 8 centre, GP surgeries will not be open during the Bank Holiday period

#### NHS Direct 0845 46 47

Call the 24 hour NHS Direct number on 0845 46 47 for help when you are feeling unwell or are unsure what to do. NHS Direct is available whenever you need access to confidential, nurse-led telephone advice and treatment service. Friendly and professional staff will provide advice and information on local NHS services. You can also go online to www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk for advice about your symptoms.

## 8 to 8 Centre (8 am - 8 pm) Lakeside Plus, Cottingham Road, Corby (Tel: 01536 204154)

The 8 to 8 Centre is open throughout the Bank Holiday weekend and provides registered and nonregistered patients from across Northamptonshire with treatment for minor injuries and illness.

#### **Out of Hours GP Services**

**Nenedoc** is the provider of "Out of Hours" GP services in Northamptonshire when your own GP surgery is closed. If necessary, a doctor or nurse will provide a home visit. The service in the far north of the county – the Oundle and Wansford area – is provided by the Peterborough-based Out of Hours GP service – **Pedoc.** 

#### **Self Care**

To assist with cuts, grazes and other minor injuries and ailments, make sure your medicine cabinet is well-stocked.

For advice on best medicines and treatment, speak to your local pharmacist.

#### **Minor Injuries / Illness**

For minor injuries and illness, do not go to the Accident & Emergency Department (A&E), where it is likely to take longer for you to receive treatment.



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Corby Minor Injuries Unit	01536 493916	9:00am- 6:00pm Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon
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## Charity pulls out of project

Northamptonshire's disabled people because it said it had no confidence that county people would be represented in the new organisation.

The Centre for Independent Living contract – to provide a one-stop-shop for help and advice on disabled issues - was won by Bedfordshire-based Disability Resource Centre and Wellingborough-based Open Roads earlier this year.

But Open Roads has now pulled out, only days before the contract was due to be signed, leaving help for the county's disabled people to be

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Julius Ladwig, a trustee of Open Roads, said: "We withdrew because we have no confidence that they are committed to representation from Northamptonshirebased, users and carers. We do not feel that we could represent the community of disa-bled people and their carers in Northamptonshire due to their structure and make-up of the CIL Project Board.

"We urge all people with disabilities who have an inter-est in how this CIL is developed, to raise objection with their local representative and councillor."



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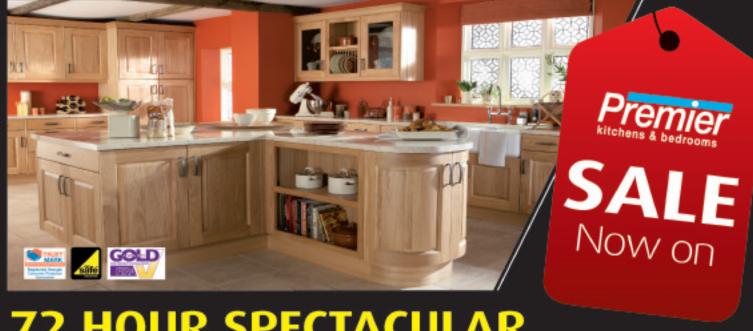
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Northampton Borough

Northampton Borough Council is hoping greenfingered residents can help the town to equal the gold award achieved in the 2009 regional Britain in Bloom awards and possibly further success in the national finals, which will take place in August. The campaign is being backed by the *Chronicle & Echo*.

In Briar Hill on Saturday, the Green Forum, a network of voluntary groups dedicated to local green space and improving their environment, planted their first seeds at Blackberry Lane Community Centre.

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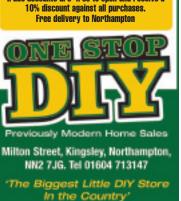
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CALLS have been made to allow a floating restaurant to open on the River Nene in Northampton, despite concerns the boat would be moored next to a site which is often used for open-air

Members of Northampton Borough Council's planning committee will discuss the plans for the floating restau-rant at Midsummer Meadow near Bedford Road next week.

Concerns have already Concerns have already been expressed about the development by both Northamptonshire Police, who have pointed out the site where the boat would be moored is used by "cruisers and cottagers", and the Northants Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance (NLGBA), which has warned moving "post-dusk social networking" to other areas could cause problems.

But the two councillors for

But the two councillors for the region claimed the new business would improve the

Councillor Ifty Choudary (Lab, St Crispin) said the floating restaurant, combined with the new marina development at nearby Becket's Park, should improve the

whole area.

He said: "The new marina will be really good for the town. I really hope it will encourage visitors to go down there and I think the floating restaurant would be a real

addition too.

"We've had serious issues with everything else that

happens down there.
"A lot of the activity is not legal and should never have been talking place, I would not want to protect those kind of activities."

He was backed by Councillor Penny Flavell (Con, St Crispin), who also represents the area on Northampton Borough Council.

She said: "If we've got his lovely new marina coming up, I think having a floating restaurant nearby would be a very good thing. If it's done to a high standard and is run well, I can't see that it will be a bad thing."

The council's planning committee will make a final decision on the restaurant plan on Tuesday, April 6.



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The houses will be fitted with covert cameras, while items frequently targeted by burglars will be marked to help officers trace stolen goods.

Chief Inspector Martin Kinchin, of

Northamptonshire Police, said the force had already caught criminals us-

ing sting homes on five occasions.

However, he said the government money, which has to be spent on stopping burglars, would allow the force to install equipment in many more homes in crime hotspots.

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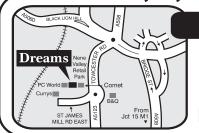
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Mum & Dad Davies and all the Family X X X



#### INNS

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Love Mum and Dad



#### Osborne Mark & Joanna (Nee Farragher)

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#### SOUTER

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#### Sophie

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#### 21st Birthday



#### KNIGHT

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21st Birthday

#### Pankewycz **Emma**

Congratulations on your 21st Birthday. May all your hopes and dreams for the future come true. We love you very much. Mom, Dad, Nick, Luke, Nan, John, Carole and

Pheobe

"woof, woof"

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## Louise

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away Miss you mate.

Col & Lisa XXX

BAILEY — John 1-4-09 One year has gone since

you passed away, how I miss you everyday. Your loving Wife Mavis x

BAILEY — John



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The blow was hard, the shock severe To part with one we loved so dear Our loss is great, we'll not complain But trust that we may meet again.

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X X X

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## Cath

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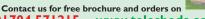
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## Hi-tech Mito punches well above its weight

No wonder so many operas are sung in Italian, the language makes reading out the fire escape procedure on the back of a Rome hotel room door sound sexv.

And doesn't 'quadrifoglio verde' curl off the tongue so much more elegantly than the simple Anglo Saxon 'cloverleaf', even if it simply means four green leaves.

To car nuts it means rather more, being chosen in Alfa Romeo's racing glory days as the good luck symbol that might keep a driver and car in one piece – and perhaps even win.

Today the badge adorns the quickest, newest version of the firm's little Mito, the hot hatch that's doing wonders for sales in a difficult market as buyers realise there's an Alfa they can now afford. Actually, not all that many will be going for the car tested here; with a few extras piled on the generous standard spec, it's easy to produce a small Alfa costing more than £20,000.

Resist the temptations of leather trim (£900), bigger alloy wheels (£600) and other fripperies and you'll have a car that punches above

its weight, thanks to clever technology under that swoopy

Alfa calls it MultiAir and it needs more words than can be spared here to describe in detail. Briefly, a clever concoction of little pistons and oil pressure work the engine's inlet valves to make sure they feed precisely the right amount of air to the engine for the task in immediate hand. That might be a gentle chug

through town or a burst of vivid acceleration to pass the slowcoach on the only stretch of straight road between here and home; MultiAir helps deliver economy or oomph exactly when needed. With the help of a turbo-charger it unleashes improbable (but honest) amounts of power from such a small engine and turns this little car into a proper pocket road rocket. Back off a bit and it

More technology in this top of the range Cloverleaf is featured in the active suspension, which keeps body rock and roll to a minimum. Coupled with the three-way suspension settings available on every Mito you can go

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from race track firm to slippery road soft at the push of a button between the seats. Or that's the theory; I reckoned the non-active set up in the cheaper and less powerful (135bhp, £16,425 Lusso) felt just as good and the car seemed only a little slower

Whichever you choose, you'll enjoy a car that oozes style in a way only the Italians have mastered, a beguiling mix of subtle and show off that renders an owner somehow cooler than the man (or, increasingly, woman) who has bought a competitor to be noticed.

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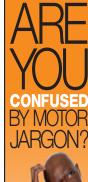
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# Sport

## Tug of war over Tiny

A TUG OF WAR has broken out over Soane Tonga'uiha after the prop told Saracens he doesn't want to join them in the summer.

Saracens chief executive Edward Griffiths is '100 per cent certain' Tonga'uiha will honour his contract but it is understood the big prop is now looking to sign a fresh deal with Saints.

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Although Saints would not expand on director of rugby Jim Mallinder's comments on Saturday that the matter was between Tonga'uiha and Saracens, it is believed that Tonga'uiha has not signed a playing contract, just a 'heads of terms agreement'.

As well as telling Saracens, it is understood that Tonga'uiha, who is nicknamed Tiny, has advised Saints he has had a change of heart and has expressed an interest in opening fresh talks with officials regarding staying at Franklin's Gardens next season.

But Griffiths says the Saints prop has a moral obligation to follow through with his agreement and join Saracens at the end of the campaign.

"I am absolutely 100 per cent certain that Soane, his wife Lucy and their children will be at Saracens next season," said Griffiths. "It is simple, he has signed a con-

"It is simple, he has signed a contract with us and that is it. There is a signed agreement between us.

"If the roles were reversed where a club signed a contract with a player and then the club said 'sorry, we have changed our minds', that would rightly be condemned as being completely outrageous.

"If a similar situation were to arise where a player changed his mind, I am absolutely convinced officials in rugby, including those at Northampton, would say there is no way we can carry on like that. It would lead to chaos."

In January, Tonga'uiha agreed to what is believed to be a five-year deal worth nearly £250,000 per year, but heis now having second thoughts and is looking to stay at treble-chasing Saints.

At the time, a furious Mallinder said the club 'just couldn't compete financially' with that offer, but it appears that Tonga'uiha has realised those is more to life then proper.

there is more to life than money.

Meanwhile, Saints will be looking to maintain their push for a top-two finish in the Guinness Premiership when they travel to Leeds this Saturday.

Leeds this Saturday. Saints were 14-9 winners over Wasps last weekend.



# We have play-off Steele

KEEPER Jason Steele is confident the Cobblers can live with the pressure of an end-of-season run-in that looks like going right down to the wire.

Town slipped out of the Coca-Cola League Two play-off zone with a draw at Lincoln on Saturday but many of the other results went their way.

Just two points now separate Northampton in eighth and Chesterfield in fifth, and with Ian Sampson's men playing four of the top-six teams between now and the end of the season, the club's supporters could be in for a gripping finale.

It is one that will also test the nerves of the players, and Steele, who is on loan from Middlesbrough until the end of the current campaign, says the squad are relishing the prospect.

"As everyone gets older, they want to play in highpressure games," said Steele, whose five appearances for the Cobblers have been his first five in senior football.

"All the England players who are going to the World Cup in the summer, imagine the pressure they are under.

"Obviously we are under pressure to get to the playoffs. We are putting pressure on ourselves, everybody is putting pressure on themselves to perform, the fans, everybody in Northampton, and hopefully we can do it.

The Cobblers are back in

The Cobblers are back in league two action tomorrow night when they travel to second-from-bottom Grimsby Town (7.45pm).

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Meanwhile, Town boss
Sampson has been nominated for the Coca-Cola League
Two Manager of the Month
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Sampson, who won the January award and was shortlisted for the February honour, oversaw three wins a draw for the Cobblers in the month of March.

